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RESPONSE TO COMMUNICATION FROM EXAMINER

Dear Sir:

This is a response to the Communication from the Examiner mailed from the Patent Office on April 9, 2002 (Paper No. 16). Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims:

21 1. (AMENDED) An isolated nucleic acid molecule encoding hlre1p comprising the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:1.